No. 2012/100

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Journal

of the United Nations

Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Thursday, 24 May 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

3 p.m. . . . . 110th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/66/316/Rev.1/Add.1) . . . . . [114 (a)]
2. Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: note by the Secretary-General (A/66/802) . . . . . [115 (h)]

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Tuesday, 29 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, for the consideration of the report of the Secretary-General (A/66/770) and the draft resolution (A/66/L.45) under agenda item 130 (Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union).

The *Journal* has 3995 followers on Twitter. Join them and be the first to be notified once the next issue is available! www.twitter.com/Journal_UN_ONU

There are 3940 subscribers to the *Journal*. Take advantage of the new e-subscription and receive the Journal early in the morning! www.undocs.org

There are 2241 users who "like" the *Journal* on Facebook. Look for our page! Journal of the United Nations

Scan the QR (Quick Response) Code at the top right-hand corner to download today's *Journal*.

12-34573

Think Green!

Please recycle

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 8 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Round tables

All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to participate in the round tables, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 66/197 (A/RES/66/197), are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org)) or by fax (1 (212) 963-5305), indicating the name and level of the participant and the preferred round table.

Inscription, maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis, is open. Statements in the round tables *should not exceed three minutes*. Any inquiry should be directed to Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816).

The deadline for inscription by United Nations system entities and other accredited intergovernmental organizations to the round tables has expired. For inquiries in this regard, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8497).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of official delegations of Member States and observers

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are urged to submit accreditation requests to the Protocol and Liaison Service (room NL-2058; fax 1 (212) 963-1921), before the deadline of pre-accreditation in New York on *Wednesday, 30 May 2012*. Please refer to the note verbales available on the Protocol Web site <www.un.int/protocol> for the proper accreditation procedure and requirements.

On-site accreditation will begin on Thursday, 7 June 2012, at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 of the Riocentro Convention Center. As of Monday, 4 June, permanent missions and permanent observer missions may continue to submit accreditation requests or conference related documents to the Protocol Accreditation Unit at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 by fax (+55 21 2442-9000). Please note that this fax number will only be active as of Monday, 4 June. The Protocol Accreditation Unit will not be responsible for any lost documents faxed to this number before Monday, 4 June.

Delegates holding a valid United Nations grounds pass are advised to bring it along when travel to Brazil for the Conference. In the absence of a valid grounds pass, a diplomatic passport or a copy of the letter of accreditation or credential should be made handy upon arrival in Brazil.

Accreditation of national security personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for national security personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *Friday, 25 May 2012*. From Monday, 4 June 2012, onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m. . . . . 36th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

1. Improving the financial situation at the United Nations (A/66/521/Add.1) . . . . [136]

General discussion

2. Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 . . . . . [134]

Special political missions (A/66/354/Add.8 and A/66/7/Add.25)

Special Court for Sierra Leone (A/C.5/66/16)

Introduction and general discussion

Morning[1]–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Closed peacekeeping missions (A/66/665, A/66/713 and A/66/713/Corr.1))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 131 (Financial reports and audited financial statements, and reports of the Board of Auditors (A/66/5 (Vol. II), A/66/693, A/66/719, A/66/747, A/66/747/Corr.1 and A/66/806));

Agenda item 158 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Administration Mission in Kosovo (A/66/577, A/66/673 and A/66/718/Add.7)); and

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: United Nations Logistics Base at Brindisi, Italy (A/66/603, A/66/724 and A/66/718/Add.15))

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 36th meeting of the Committee.

General Assembly

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation

Seventeenth session

Working Group

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Consideration of draft decisions before the Working Group

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Executive meeting

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)
Twenty-fifth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 24th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 25th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2012/CRP.5 and E/C.2/2012/CRP.7)[1] [3 (a)]

[Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation is available at <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online paperless committee system <http://csonet.org/ngocommittee>, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions. Members may also wish to take advantage of the PaperSmart e-services offered by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).]

[1]Conference room paper.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee
Informal consultations

The Chair of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with the regional groups on the participation of civil society in the work of the Committee, as follows: *today*, 24 May 2012, from 3 to 4 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB) (with the Group of Western European and Other States); and from 4 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room B (NLB) (with the Group of Eastern European States); and *tomorrow*, 25 May, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB) (with the Group of African States). All interested delegations are encouraged to attend.

General Assembly

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Informal consultations

There will be informal consultations of the Executive Board of UN-Women *today*, 24 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m., in the 19th Floor Conference Room, UN-Women headquarters (220 East 42nd Street), on the draft decision related to the report on the progress made on the Strategic Plan 2011-2013.

General Assembly
Security Council

Peacebuilding Commission
Sixth session

Liberia configuration

An informal meeting of the Liberia configuration of the Peacebuilding Commission will be held *today*, 24 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Economic and Social Council
Informal informal consultations

Informal informal consultations on the draft ministerial declaration of the high-level segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Economic and Social Council, convened by the Facilitator, Mr. Raymond Landveld (Suriname), will be held in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), *today*, 24 May 2012, from 10.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m.; and *tomorrow*, 25 May, from 10 to 11.30 a.m.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Thursday, 24 May 2012

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Causes of conflict and the promotion of durable peace and sustainable development in Africa" (under agenda item 63 (b)) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Egypt)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . *Conference Room C (NLB)*

Meeting on the draft resolution of the Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea on the commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the opening for signature of the Convention (convened by the Permanent Mission of Japan)

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Permanent Mission of Japan (866 United Nations Plaza, 3rd Floor)

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Group of 77 (on the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation)

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on oceans and law of the sea matters)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Friday, 25 May 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

The Preparatory Committee will hold its third round of informal informal negotiations on the draft outcome document from Tuesday, 29 May, to Saturday, 2 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

The draft the outcome document is available on the Rio+20 Web site, at the following address: <www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/>. Delegations are also reminded that a password-protected Rio+20 e-discussion forum has been created to enable an exchange on the draft outcome document of the Conference. Delegations wishing to subscribe to the e-discussion forum are requested to contact the UNCSD secretariat (e-mail uncsd2012@un.org).

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) will be servicing the session in a PaperSmart way. Delegations and participants attending the meeting are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets, to avail themselves of the PaperSmart Portal[1]. The Portal is available for delegations participating in the session of the Preparatory Committee, at the following address: <http://papersmart.un.org>. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).

[1]The Portal is an initiative of the Integrated Sustainable PaperSmart Services (ISPS) Secretariat, Meetings and Publishing Division, DGACM. Application development and hosting for the Portal are provided by the Office of Information and Communications Technology, Department of Management, with branding and graphic design provided by the Graphic Design Unit, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information.

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Thirteenth meeting

The thirteenth meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea will be held from Tuesday, 29 May, to 1 June 2012. The meeting will be convened on Tuesday, 29 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 65/37 A (A/RES/65/37) and 66/231 (A/RES/66/231), the meeting will focus its discussions on the topic "Marine renewable energies".

The format and annotated provisional agenda of the meeting are contained in document A/AC.259/L.13. The report of the Secretary-General on oceans and the law of the sea which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting is contained in document A/67/79. Both documents and other relevant information are available on the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs <www.un.org/Depts/los>. Delegations are also invited to consult the Web site for additional information regarding the panellists.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the meeting to the Division *by Friday, 25 May 2012* (room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-5915).

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the Meeting can be consulted at <www.un.org/depts/los/consultative_process/consultative_process.htm>.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C (A/RES/54/237 A-C), in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should have been received by the President of the General Assembly by Friday, 18 May 2012. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B (A/RES/57/4 B), as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 (A/RES/64/248). Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Annual session of 2012

The annual session of 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 29, to Thursday, 31 May 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB), and on Friday, 1 June, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.3. To consult the documentation for the session, please *click here*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-second Meeting

The Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters, from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 June 2012. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 4 June, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.69.

In connection with item 9 of the provisional agenda (Election of 21 members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf), States parties are reminded that the election will take place during the Meeting. With regard to the composition of delegations, States parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials, *no later than Thursday, 31 May 2012*, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-450). Credentials should be submitted in due form as required by rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Meeting of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

Furthermore, in relation with item 10 of the provisional agenda (Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea), delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division and provide a copy of their statement (e-mail ahreum.lee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2872) (copies for distribution at the meeting are to be provided by the delegation).

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

An informal briefing, convened by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Fernando Arias (Spain), will be held on Friday, 25 May 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", which will be presented by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs at the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. An advance copy of the report is available at <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/has2012.shtml>.

Joint meeting with the Peacebuilding Commission

The Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission will hold a joint meeting on "Partnerships for job creation for young people in countries emerging from conflict" on Monday, 4 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), and the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, H.E. Dr. A.K. Abdul Momen (Bangladesh).

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268) or Mr. Paolo Fontana (e-mail fontana@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4222).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Annual session

The 2012 annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 5, to Friday, 8 June 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/9.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available at the following site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_61796.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; or fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 25 May 2012*. In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB), from 10 to 11.30 a.m.: Evaluation of UNDP partnerships with global funds and philanthropic foundations and management responses; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Evaluation of UNDP contribution to strengthening electoral systems and processes and management response;

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF informal consultation on cost recovery;

Thursday, 31 May 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m., in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS informal consultation on disclosure; and

Monday, 4 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB), from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.: Matters to be taken at its 2012 annual session; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Draft decisions to be considered at the annual session.

Forthcoming informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies" (under agenda item 32) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, in its capacity as chair of the International Conference of New or Restored Democracies)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy" (under agenda item 118) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. Conference Room 6 (NLB).

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB).

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Panel discussion on "Impact of public-private partnerships in education: An evidence-based approach" (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the IDP Foundation)

Friday, 25 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact to Ms. Janae Bushman, UNESCO New York Office (e-mail ej.bushman@unesco.org).]

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers (General Assembly resolution 57/129 (A/RES/57/129)) (organized by the Office of Military Affairs, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO))

Wreath-laying ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 9.15 to 9.30 a.m., in the Visitors' Lobby, General Assembly Building.

Dag Hammarskjöld medal ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Medal parade

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 2 to 4.30 p.m., on the plaza between the General Assembly and the North Lawn Buildings.

[All are invited to attend these events. For further information, please contact Col. Carlos Borja, DPKO (e-mail borjac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3849); or Col. Fernando Tomé, DPKO (e-mail tomef@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3951).]

Arria Formula meeting of the Security Council on "The peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution: Mediation, judicial settlement and justice" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in the Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of international organizations and non-governmental organizations, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Elchin Huseynli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail elchin.n.h@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6261).]

UNITAR/OHCHR Human Rights Orientation Programme for Diplomats

Tuesday, 5, and Wednesday, 6 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of South Africa (333 East 38th Street, 9th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-9684); or Ms. Raquel Villodres, UNITAR (e-mail raquel.villodres@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2012
United Nations Office at Geneva

The 2012 annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will take place from Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 June 2012, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session will be issued in document DP/2012/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org); fax 1 (212) 906-5634. Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, *no later than Friday, 15 June 2012*.

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Social Networking 101: A user guide to the United Nations Library's social media tools (10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Today, 24 May 2012; and

Tuesday, 5 June 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Today, 24 May 2012;

Tuesday, 26 June 2012; and

Thursday, 28 June 2012.

Overview of the Legal Library (from 4 to 5 p.m.)

Monday, 4 June 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 6 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 21 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 19 June 2012 *(Spanish)*.

Advanced researching using non-UN Databases (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 7 June 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Friday, 8 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 12 June 2012 *(English)*

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 13 June 2012.

United Nations Info Quest (UN-I-QUE) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 20 June 2012.

Introduction to E-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012.

Economic and Social Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 27 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 28 June 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Friday, 29 June 2012 *(French)*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly *(reminder)*

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

To be received by Thursday, 31 May 2012:

Resolution 66/24, para. 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security" (A/RES/66/24), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/21-2012/IT dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/25, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East" (A/RES/66/25), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/03-2012/NWFZME dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/46, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*" (A/RES/66/46), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/02-2012/ICJ dated 10 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/31, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control" (A/RES/66/31), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/23-2012/EN dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/32, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation" (A/RES/66/32), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/22-2012/ML dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/38, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context" (A/RES/66/38), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/07/2012 dated 15 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/50, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" (A/RES/66/50), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/04-2012/WMDT dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/63, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" (A/RES/66/63), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/08-2012/SSCMR dated 14 February 2012 refers); and

Resolution 65/77, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" (A/RES/65/77), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/27-2012/DNP dated 27 February 2012 refers).

To be received by Friday, 1 June 2012:

Resolution 65/55, paras. 2, 3 and 7, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium" (A/RES/65/55), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/19-2012/ADU dated 7 March 2012 refers).

2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Thailand in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 12, to Friday, 30 November 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations that are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Friday, 29 June 2012*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course Web site <www.un.org/law/rcil/asia>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

General Assembly

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Seventeenth session

3rd meeting

Review of progress made in implementing the Buenos Aires Plan of Action, the new directions strategy for South-South cooperation and the Nairobi outcome document of the High-level United Nations Conference on South- South Cooperation (SSC/17/1) [2]

Actions arising from previous sessions of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation, notably at its sixteenth session in 2010 (SSC/17/3) . . . . . [3]

Consideration of reports of the Administrator of the United Nations Development Programme (SSC/17/2) . . . . . [4]

(a) Implementation by the organizations of the United Nations development system of the Guidelines for the Review of Policies and Procedures concerning Technical Cooperation among Developing Countries

(b) Organizational, administrative and financial arrangements of the United Nations Development Programme in support of South-South cooperation

The Committee resumed its general discussion on agenda items 2, 3 and 4.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States, Sri Lanka, Brazil, Mexico, Morocco, Botswana, Burkina Faso, Viet Nam, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nigeria, Argentina and Suriname.

Statements were also made by the representatives of UNIDO, ILO, the Organization of Islamic Cooperation, ITU, WMO, WIPO, UNCTAD, UNESCO and the International Organization for South-South Cooperation.

The Director of the Special Unit for South-South Cooperation, United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), responded to points raised in the discussion.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion on agenda items 2, 3 and 4.

4th meeting

Thematic discussion on the theme "Promoting socio-economic transformation through infrastructure development, employment creation, social cohesion and the transfer of appropriate technology using South-South cooperation" . . . . . [5]

The Vice-President of the Committee opened the meeting and handed the proceedings over to the Moderator of the thematic discussion, H.E. Mr. Gyan Chandra Acharya (Nepal).

The Moderator introduced the following panellists: Mr. T.D. Sivakumar, India Export-Import Bank; Ms. Rita Nangia, Senior Advisor, Information and Knowledge Management, Asian Development Bank; Mr. Terje Tessem, Chief, Employment-Intensive Investment Programme in the ILO; and Dr. Sachin Chaturvedi, Senior Fellow, Research and Information System for Developing Countries of India.

The keynote speech was made by the Deputy Executive Director of the United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP), Ms. Amina Mohamed, during which she launched the UNEP's South-South Cooperation Exchange Mechanism.

Following formal presentations by the panellists, there was an interactive exchange with participants.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of agenda item 5.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

22nd meeting

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification . [3 (b)]

The Chair made a statement.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan and Belgium.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee . . . . . [3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, Israel, India, Belgium, Cuba, the Sudan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and the United States, as well as by the observer for Holy See.

Points of order were raised by the representatives of Pakistan, the United States and the Sudan.

A statement was made by the Chair.

The Secretary of the Committee also made a statement.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to nine non-governmental organizations.

23rd meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee . . . . . [3 (a)]

The Chair made a statement on the proposal to close the application of the Islamic African Relief Agency (IARA) and on the proposal for the adjournment of the debate in this regard.

The Committee proceeded to take action, under rule 50 of the rules of procedure of the Economic and Social Council, on the motion to adjourn the debate.

Statements in favor of the motion were made by the representatives of Cuba and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela. Statements against the motion were made by the representatives of the United States and Belgium.

Points of order were raised by the representative of the Sudan.

The Committee, by a roll-call vote of 9 to 5, with 2 abstentions, approved the motion to adjourn the debate.

Statements were made by the representatives of the Sudan, the United States, Cuba, Nicaragua, the Russian Federation, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Morocco, Pakistan, India and China, as well as by the observer for Palestine.

The representatives of China, the Russian Federation, the Sudan and the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela posed questions, to which the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded: International Partnership for Human Rights; and International Legal Foundation, Ltd.

The representative of the United States, as well as the observer for Palestine, made statements.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 16 non-governmental organizations, and roster consultative status to one non-governmental organization.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

Optional Protocol to the Convention on the Rights of the Child on a communications procedure. New York, 19 December 2011

Signature: The former Yugoslav Republic of Macedonia (23 May 2012)

Food Assistance Convention
London, 25 April 2012

Opening for signature

The Food Assistance Convention was adopted on 25 April 2012 at London.

In accordance with its article 12, the "Convention shall be open for signature by Argentina, Australia, the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, Canada, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the European Union, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, Hungary, Ireland, the Italian Republic, Japan, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 11 June 2012 until 31 December 2012".

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be distributed as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Convention are posted on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/signature/2012/CTC_XIX-48.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if the States and the international organization to which the Convention is open for signature and wishing to sign could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* accessible on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States:
Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Than Swe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. Csaba Körösi

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guyana
H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Paul Seger

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Web sites

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management
<www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/>

Presidency of the General Assembly
<www.un.org/ga/president>

General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
<www.un.org/depts/dhl/>

International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

United Nations Press Releases
<www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp>

United Nations Webcast
<www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html>

Yearbook of the United Nations
<http://unyearbook.un.org>

UN Chronicle
<www.un.org/chronicle>

Documents Issued at United Nations Headquarters on Wednesday, 23 May 2012

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations <http://documents.un.org> in the electronic version of the present Journal.

e-subscription <www.undocs.org>

Think Green! — Please consider the number of pages before printing.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-sixth session
A/66/7/Add.25	Item 134 — Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 — Estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council: United Nations Support Mission in Libya and United Nations Political Office for Somalia — Twenty-sixth report of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions on the proposed programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 [A C E F R S] — *12 pages*
A/66/809–S/2012/331	Letter dated 14 May 2012 from the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, in its Liberia configuration, to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*
A/66/810–S/2012/338	Item 36 — The situation in the Middle East — Identical letters dated 15 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/66/L.48	Item 14 — Integrated and coordinated implementation of and follow-up to the outcomes of the major United Nations conferences and summits in the economic, social and related fields — Draft resolution submitted by the President of the General Assembly — International Day of Happiness [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
	Fifth Committee
A/C.5/66/L.34	Item 156 — Financing of the United Nations Observer Mission in Georgia — Draft resolution submitted by the Chair of the Committee following informal consultations [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
	Sixty-seventh session
A/67/82*–E/2012/64*	Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2012/282	Letter dated 1 May 2012 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of Portugal to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *27 pages*
A/66/809–S/2012/331	Letter dated 14 May 2012 from the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, in its Liberia configuration, to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

A/66/810–S/2012/338 Identical letters dated 15 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Lebanon to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1533 (2004) concerning the Democratic Republic of the Congo

S/AC.43/2012/1 Note verbale dated 16 May 2012 from the Permanent Mission of Brazil to the United Nations addressed to the Chair of the Committee [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Official Records

E/2012/33 Committee for Development Policy — Report on the fourteenth session (12-16 March 2012) — Supplement No. 13 [A C E F R S] — *35 pages*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Substantive session of 2012

E/2012/50 Item 2 of the provisional agenda — High-level segment — World Economic and Social Survey 2012: In Search of New Development Finance — Overview [A C E F R S] — *21 pages*

A/67/82*–E/2012/64* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

United Nations Children's Fund
Executive Board
Annual session 2012

E/ICEF/2012/9* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E R S (only)] — *8 pages*

E/ICEF/2012/9/Corr.1* Reissued for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women
Fifty-second session

CEDAW/C/52/2 Item 7 of the provisional agenda — Ways and means of expediting the work of the Committee — Ways and means of expediting the work of the Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women — Note by the secretariat [A C E F R S] — *26 pages*

CEDAW/C/GRB/7/Add.1

Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Seventh periodic report of States parties — United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland (Isle of Man) [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*

CEDAW/C/MEX/Q/7-8/Add.1

Responses to the list of issues and questions with regard to the consideration of the combined seventh and eighth periodic report — Mexico [A C E F R S] — *42 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Annual session 2012

DP/FPA/2012/7 Item 9 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Funding commitments to UNFPA — Report on contributions by Member States and others to UNFPA and revenue projections for 2012 and future years [A C E F R S] — *29 pages*

DP/FPA/2012/10 Item 13 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Reports of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS Ethics Offices — Report of the Ethics Office 2011 [A C E F R S] — *17 pages*

DP/OPS/2012/5 Item 12 of the provisional agenda — Internal audit and oversight — Activity report for 2011 of the Internal Audit and Investigations Group of the United Nations Office for Project Services [A C E F R S] — *25 pages*

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Sylvie Deschênes (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-6776; room IN-0908, 300 East 42nd Street).

Office opens at 3 p.m.

Published at Headquarters, New York, by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.

No. 2012/101

Friday, 25 May 2012

Journal

of the United Nations

Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

Friday, 25 May 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 134 (Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013: Special political missions (A/66/354/Add.7, A/66/354/Add.8, A/66/7/Add.24 and A/66/7/Add.25))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 164 (Financing of the African Union-United Nations Hybrid Operation in Darfur (A/66/596, A/66/695 and A/66/718/Add.16));

Agenda item 147 (Financing of the United Nations Interim Security Force for Abyei (A/66/722 and A/66/718/Add.12)); and

*Agenda item 161 (*Financing of the United Nations Mission in South Sudan (A/66/733 and A/66/718/Add.17))

The *Journal* has 4009 followers on Twitter. Join them and be the first to be notified once the next issue is available! www.twitter.com/Journal_UN_ONU

There are 3945 subscribers to the *Journal*. Take advantage of the new e-subscription and receive the Journal early in the morning! www.undocs.org

There are 2244 users who "like" the *Journal* on Facebook. Look for our page! Journal of the United Nations

Scan the QR (Quick Response) Code at the top right-hand corner to download today's *Journal*.

12-34575

Think Green!

Please recycle

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 8 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of official delegations of Member States and observers

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are urged to submit accreditation requests to the Protocol and Liaison Service (room NL-2058; fax 1 (212) 963-1921), before the deadline of pre-accreditation in New York on *Wednesday, 30 May 2012*. Please refer to the note verbales available on the Protocol Web site <www.un.int/protocol> for the proper accreditation procedure and requirements.

On-site accreditation will begin on Thursday, 7 June 2012, at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 of the Riocentro Convention Center. As of Monday, 4 June, permanent missions and permanent observer missions may continue to submit accreditation requests or conference related documents to the Protocol Accreditation Unit at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 by fax (+55 21 2442-9000). Please note that this fax number will only be active as of Monday, 4 June. The Protocol Accreditation Unit will not be responsible for any lost documents faxed to this number before Monday, 4 June.

Delegates holding a valid United Nations grounds pass are advised to bring it along when travel to Brazil for the Conference. In the absence of a valid grounds pass, a diplomatic passport or a copy of the letter of accreditation or credential should be made handy upon arrival in Brazil.

Accreditation of national security personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for national security personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications will be received until *today*, 25 May 2012. From Monday, 4 June 2012, onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Round tables

All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to participate in the round tables, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 66/197 (A/RES/66/197), are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org)) or by fax (1 (212) 963-5305), indicating the name and level of the participant and the preferred round table.

Inscription, maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis, is open. Statements in the round tables *should not exceed three minutes*. Any inquiry should be directed to Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816).

The deadline for inscription by United Nations system entities and other accredited intergovernmental organizations to the round tables has expired. For inquiries in this regard, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8497).

Security Council

Military Staff Committee

11 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1744th meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

General Assembly

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Seventeenth session

Working Group

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

1. Consideration of draft decisions before the Working Group (SSC/17/L.5 and SSC/17/L.6)
2. Conclusion of the work of the Working Group for the seventeenth session

Plenary

4–6 p.m. . . . . 5th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

1. Adoption of the report of the Working Group (SSC/17/L.4 and addenda) . . . . . [6]
2. Approval of the provisional agenda for the eighteenth session of the Committee (SSC/17/L.6) . . . . . [7]
3. Other matters . . . . . [8]
4. Adoption of the report of the Committee on its seventeenth session (SSC/17/L.4 and addenda) . . . . . [9]
5. Closure of the session

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)
Executive meeting

United Nations Commission on International Trade Law

Working Group III (Online Dispute Resolution)
Twenty-fifth session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 26th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2012/2/Add.25, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.26, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.27, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.28, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.29, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.31, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.32, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.33, E/C.2/2012/CRP.15[1] and E/C.2/2012/CRP.16[1]) . . . . . [4 (b)]

3–6 p.m. . . . . 27th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2012/2/Add.25, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.26, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.27, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.28, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.29, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.31, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.32, E/C.2/2012/2/Add.33, E/C.2/2012/CRP.15[1] and E/C.2/2012/CRP.16[1]) . . . . . [4 (b)]

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council (E/C.2/2012/CRP.6)[1] . . . . . [4 (a)]

Other related matters (E/C.2/2012/CRP.8, E/C.2/2012/CRP.9/Rev.1, E/C.2/2012/CRP.10/Rev.1, E/C.2/2012/CRP.11/Rev.1, E/C.2/2012/CRP.12 and E/C.2/2012/CRP.13/Rev.1)[1] . . . . . [6 (c)]

Special reports . . . . . [7]

[Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation is available at <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online paperless committee system <http://csonet.org/ngocommittee>, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions. Members may also wish to take advantage of the PaperSmart e-services offered by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).]

[1]Conference room papers.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

First Committee

Informal consultations

The Chair of the First Committee will hold informal consultations with the Group of African States on the participation of civil society in the work of the Committee, *today*, 25 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room C (NLB). All interested delegations are encouraged to attend.

Economic and Social Council

Briefing

An informal briefing, convened by the Vice-President of the Economic and Social Council, H.E. Mr. Fernando Arias (Spain), will be held *today*, 25 May 2012, from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB), on the report of the Secretary-General entitled "Strengthening of the coordination of emergency humanitarian assistance of the United Nations", which will be presented by the Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs at the humanitarian affairs segment of the 2012 substantive session of the Council. An advance copy of the report is available at <www.un.org/en/ecosoc/julyhls/has2012.shtml>.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Friday, 25 May 2012

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "Support by the United Nations system of the efforts of Governments to promote and consolidate new or restored democracies" (under agenda item 32) (convened by the Permanent Mission of the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, in its capacity as chair of the International Conference of New or Restored Democracies)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy" (under agenda item 118) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Canada)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Friday, 25 May 2012

Group of 77 (on the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation)

9–10 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (at the ambassadorial level)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

OIC Group (Sixth Committee experts)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room B (NLB)

Group of Least Developed Countries (at the ambassadorial level)

1.15–2.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Eastern European Group (monthly meeting) (at the expert level)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room C (NLB)

Group of Latin American and Caribbean States

3–5 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

Western European and Other States Group (monthly meeting)

3–4.30 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Friday, 25 May 2012

Panel discussion on "Impact of public-private partnerships in education: An evidence-based approach" (co-organized by the United Nations Educational, Scientific and Cultural Organization (UNESCO), the United Nations Office for Partnerships (UNOP) and the IDP Foundation)

From 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 6 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration and further information, please contact to Ms. Janae Bushman, UNESCO Liaison Office in New York (e-mail ej.bushman@unesco.org).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/conf.shtml>.

Friday, 25 May 2012

Second floor stakeout (NLB)

11.30 a.m. . . . . Mr. Philippe Kridelka, Director of the UNESCO Liaison Office in New York (and other panellists) (on the impact of public-private partnerships in education)

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

10 a.m. . . . . 111th plenary meeting . . . . . General Assembly Hall

1. Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union[1] . . . . . [130]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/66/770)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/66/L.45)
2. Report of the International Criminal Court: draft resolution (A/66/L.47) . . . . . [75]

[1]Delegations wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold informal consultations (closed) on Tuesday, 29 May 2012, at 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

The Preparatory Committee will hold its third round of informal informal negotiations on the draft outcome document from Tuesday, 29 May, to Saturday, 2 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB).

The draft the outcome document is available on the Rio+20 Web site, at the following address: <www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/>. Delegations are also reminded that a password-protected Rio+20 e-discussion forum has been created to enable an exchange on the draft outcome document of the Conference. Delegations wishing to subscribe to the e-discussion forum are requested to contact the UNCSD secretariat (e-mail uncsd2012@un.org).

The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) will be servicing the session in a PaperSmart way. Delegations and participants attending the meeting are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets, to avail themselves of the PaperSmart Portal[1]. The Portal is available for delegations participating in the session of the Preparatory Committee, at the following address: <http://papersmart.un.org>. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).

[1]The Portal is an initiative of the Integrated Sustainable PaperSmart Services (ISPS) Secretariat, Meetings and Publishing Division, DGACM. Application development and hosting for the Portal are provided by the Office of Information and Communications Technology, Department of Management, with branding and graphic design provided by the Graphic Design Unit, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information.

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Thirteenth meeting

The thirteenth meeting of the United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea will be held from Tuesday, 29 May, to 1 June 2012. The meeting will be convened on Tuesday, 29 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 2 (NLB). Pursuant to General Assembly resolutions 65/37 A (A/RES/65/37) and 66/231 (A/RES/66/231), the meeting will focus its discussions on the topic "Marine renewable energies".

The format and annotated provisional agenda of the meeting are contained in document A/AC.259/L.13. The report of the Secretary-General on oceans and the law of the sea which addresses the topic of focus of the meeting is contained in document A/67/79. Both documents and other relevant information are available on the Web site of the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs <www.un.org/Depts/los>. Delegations are also invited to consult the Web site for additional information regarding the panellists.

Delegations that have not done so are kindly reminded to submit the names of their representatives participating in the meeting to the Division by *today,* 25 May 2012 (room DC2-450; fax 1 (212) 963-5847).

Delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division (tel. 1 (212) 963-5915).

The list of side events scheduled to be held during the Meeting can be consulted at <www.un.org/depts/los/consultative_process/consultative_process.htm>.

Committee on Contributions
Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C (A/RES/54/237 A-C), in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should have been received by the President of the General Assembly by Friday, 18 May 2012. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B (A/RES/57/4 B), as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 (A/RES/64/248). Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Annual session of 2012

The annual session of 2012 of the Executive Board of UN-Women will be held from Tuesday, 29, to Thursday, 31 May 2012, in Conference Room 4 (NLB), and on Friday, 1 June, in Conference Room 6 (NLB). The provisional agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session are contained in document UNW/2012/L.3. To consult the documentation for the session, please *click here*.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-second Meeting

The Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters, from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 June 2012. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 4 June, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.69.

In connection with item 9 of the provisional agenda (Election of 21 members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf), States parties are reminded that the

election will take place during the Meeting. With regard to the composition of delegations, States parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials, *no later than Thursday, 31 May 2012*, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-450). Credentials should be submitted in due form as required by rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Meeting of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

Furthermore, in relation with item 10 of the provisional agenda (Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea), delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division and provide a copy of their statement (e-mail ahreum.lee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2872) (copies for distribution at the meeting are to be provided by the delegation).

Economic and Social Council

Joint meeting

The Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission will hold a joint meeting on "Partnerships for job creation for young people in countries emerging from conflict" on Monday, 4 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), and the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, H.E. Dr. A.K. Abdul Momen (Bangladesh).

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268) or Mr. Paolo Fontana (e-mail fontana@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4222).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board

Annual session

The 2012 annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 5, to Friday, 8 June 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/9.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the following site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_61796.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail ipiccolominigeary@unicef.org; or fax 1 (212) 326-7096), no later than *today*, 25 May 2012. In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, in Conference Room E (NLB), from 10 to 11.30 a.m.: Evaluation of UNDP partnerships with global funds and philanthropic foundations and management responses; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Evaluation of UNDP contribution to strengthening electoral systems and processes and management response;

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF informal consultation on cost recovery;

Thursday, 31 May 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m., in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS informal consultation on disclosure; and

Monday, 4 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB), from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.: Matters to be taken at its 2012 annual session; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Draft decisions to be considered at the annual session.

Forthcoming other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in Conference Room 7 (NLB).

Forthcoming other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers (General Assembly resolution 57/129 (A/RES/57/129)) (organized by the Office of Military Affairs, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO))

Wreath-laying ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 9.15 to 9.30 a.m., in the Visitors' Lobby, General Assembly Building.

Dag Hammarskjöld medal ceremony

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Medal parade

Tuesday, 29 May 2012, from 2 to 4.30 p.m., on the plaza between the General Assembly and the North Lawn Buildings.

[All are invited to attend these events. For further information, please contact Col. Carlos Borja, DPKO (e-mail borjac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3849); or Col. Fernando Tomé, DPKO (e-mail tomef@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3951).]

Arria Formula meeting of the Security Council on "The peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution: Mediation, judicial settlement and justice" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of international organizations and non-governmental organizations, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Elchin Huseynli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail elchin.n.h@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6261).]

UNITAR/OHCHR Human Rights Orientation Programme for Diplomats

Tuesday, 5, and Wednesday, 6 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of South Africa (333 East 38th Street, 9th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-9684); or Ms. Raquel Villodres, UNITAR (e-mail raquel.villodres@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2012
United Nations Office at Geneva

The 2012 annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will take place from Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 June 2012, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session will be issued in document DP/2012/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org); fax 1 (212) 906-5634. Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, *no later than Friday, 15 June 2012.*

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Legal Library (from 4 to 5 p.m.)

Monday, 4 June 2012.

Social Networking 101: A user guide to the United Nations Library's social media tools (10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Tuesday, 5 June 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 6 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 21 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 19 June 2012 *(Spanish)*.

Advanced researching using non-UN Databases (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 7 June 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Friday, 8 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 12 June 2012 *(English)*

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 13 June 2012.

United Nations Info Quest (UN-I-QUE) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 20 June 2012.

Introduction to E-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012; and

Thursday, 28 June 2012.

Economic and Social Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 27 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 28 June 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Friday, 29 June 2012 *(French)*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly *(reminder)*

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

To be received by Thursday, 31 May 2012:

Resolution 66/24, para. 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security" (A/RES/66/24), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/21-2012/IT dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/25, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East" (A/RES/66/25), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/03-2012/NWFZME dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/46, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*" (A/RES/66/46), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/02-2012/ICJ dated 10 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/31, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control" (A/RES/66/31), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/23-2012/EN dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/32, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation" (A/RES/66/32), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/22-2012/ML dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/38, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context" (A/RES/66/38), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/07/2012 dated 15 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/50, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" (A/RES/66/50), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/04-2012/WMDT dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/63, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" (A/RES/66/63), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/08-2012/SSCMR dated 14 February 2012 refers); and

Resolution 65/77, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" (A/RES/65/77), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/27-2012/DNP dated 27 February 2012 refers).

To be received by Friday, 1 June 2012:

Resolution 65/55, paras. 2, 3 and 7, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium" (A/RES/65/55), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/19-2012/ADU dated 7 March 2012 refers).

2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Thailand in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 12, to Friday, 30 November 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations that are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Friday, 29 June 2012*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course Web site <www.un.org/law/rcil/asia>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Thursday, 24 May 2012

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

110th plenary meeting

Election of twenty members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination: note by the Secretary-General (A/66/316/Rev.1/Add.1) . . . . . [114 (a)]

The General Assembly resumed its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 114.

The General Assembly declared Japan and Kazakhstan elected members of the Committee for Programme and Coordination for terms of office beginning on 24 May 2012 and ending on 31 December 2013 and 31 December 2014, respectively.

The Assembly was reminded that the Economic and Social Council had postponed the nomination of four members from the Western European and other States.

The General Assembly thus concluded this stage of its consideration of sub-item (a) of agenda item 114.

Approval of the appointment of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights: note by the Secretary-General (A/66/802) . . . . . [115 (h)]

The General Assembly, on the proposal of the Secretary-General, extended the appointment of Ms. Navanethem Pillay (South Africa) as United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights for a period of two years, beginning on 1 September 2012 and expiring on 31 August 2014.

The President made a statement.

The representative of the Syrian Arab Republic made a statement.

The General Assembly thus concluded its consideration of sub-item (h) of agenda item 115.

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

36th meeting

Improving the financial situation of the United Nations . . . . . [136]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, made a statement.

The Committee began its general discussion of this agenda item.

Statements were made by the representatives of Algeria (on behalf of the Group of 77 and China), Côte d'Ivoire (on behalf of the African Group), New Zealand (also on behalf of Australia and Canada), the European Union, the Republic of Korea, Singapore, Cuba, the Russian Federation, Japan, the Syrian Arab Republic, China and the United States.

The Under-Secretary-General for Management made a statement.

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, responded to questions raised.

The Committee thus concluded its consideration of this agenda item.

Programme budget for the biennium 2012-2013 . . . . . [134]

The Committee resumed its consideration of this agenda item.

Special political missions

The Assistant Secretary-General, Controller, introduced the report of the Secretary-General on estimates in respect of special political missions, good offices and other political initiatives authorized by the General Assembly and/or the Security Council – United Nations Support Mission in Libya and United Nations Political Office for Somalia (A/66/354/Add.8).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions introduced the related report of that Committee (A/66/7/Add.25).

In the absence of speakers, the Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question.

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultation on this question would be coordinated by Mr. Jan de Preter (Belgium).

Special Court for Sierra Leone

The Chair drew attention of the Committee to a letter dated 2 May 2012 from the President of the General Assembly to the Chair of the Fifth Committee, on the request for an extension of the implementation period beyond 31 July 2012 of the subvention to the Special Court for Sierra Leone, authorized by the General Assembly by its resolution 66/247 (A/C.5/66/16).

The Chair of the Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions orally introduced the related report of that Committee.

The Committee thus concluded its general discussion of this question at this stage.

Other matters

The Chair informed the Committee that informal consultations on agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations) (Closed peacekeeping missions), would be held in Conference Room 5 (NLB), following the adjournment of the formal meeting.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

24th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee . . . . . [3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Israel, China, Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, India, Burundi, Pakistan, Peru, the Sudan, the United States, the Russian Federation and Nicaragua.

The Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to 17 non-governmental organizations, and roster consultative status to one non-governmental organization.

25th meeting

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee . . . . . [3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Morocco, the Russian Federation, Israel, Belgium, the United States, Pakistan, China, Nicaragua, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, India and Cuba, as well as by the observer for Australia.

The Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

The representatives of Nicaragua, Cuba, Pakistan, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Israel, the Russian Federation, China and Burundi, as well as the observer for the Islamic Republic of Iran posed questions, to which the representatives of the following non-governmental organizations responded: Iran Human Rights Documentation Center; and Solicitors International Human Rights Group.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to two non-governmental organizations.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Wednesday, 23 May 2012

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

5th meeting

Priority themes . . . . . [3]

(a) Innovation, research, technology transfer for mutual advantage, entrepreneurship and collaborative development in the information society

(b) Open access, virtual science libraries, geospatial analysis and other complementary information and communications technology and science, technology, engineering and mathematics assets to address development issues, with particular attention to education

Panel on "Extending rural access-universal service and rural build out — Version 2.0"

The Commission resumed consideration of the item and held a panel discussion on "Extending rural access-universal service and rural build out — Version 2.0", moderated by Mr. Darrell Owen, Global Broadband and Innovations Program (GBI), United States Agency for International Development (USAID).

An introductory statement was made by Mr. Andrew Reynolds, Vice-Chair of the Commission and Senior Advisor, Space and Advanced Technologies, United States Department of State.

Presentations were made by Mr. Kofi Attor, CEO Ghana Investment Fund for Electronic Communication; Mr. Parvez Iftikhar, former CEO, Universal Service Fund Company; Mr. Guillermo Cruz, former CEO, Compartel; and Mr. David Townsend, Consultant, Universal Service Fund Company.

A dialogue followed, in which the representatives of Peru, Portugal, Austria, Costa Rica, Ghana and Tunisia participated.

The Chair made a statement.

6th meeting

Priority themes . . . . . [3]

(a) Innovation, research, technology transfer for mutual advantage, entrepreneurship and collaborative development in the information society

(b) Open access, virtual science libraries, geospatial analysis and other complementary information and communications technology and science, technology, engineering and mathematics assets to address development issues, with particular attention to education

The Commission continued its discussion and heard an introductory statement by the representative of the Secretariat of the United Nations Conference on Trade and Development (UNCTAD).

Statements were made by the keynote speakers, Prof. Rolf-Dieter Heuer, Director-General of CERN; and Ms. Shirley Malcom, Head of the Directorate of Education and

Human Resources Programs, American Association for the Advancement of Science (AAAS).

A dialogue with the keynote speakers ensued, in which the representatives of the United States, the Russian Federation, Costa Rica, Tunisia, Austria and the Dominican Republic participated.

The representative of the Association for Progressive Communications also participated.

Under sub-item (a), presentations were made by Dr. Dominique Foray, Full Professor, Chair in Economics and Management of Innovation, École Polytechnique Fédérale de Lausanne (EPFL); and Mr. Adel Torjmen, Vice-President, Tunisian Association for Communication and Technology (TACT).

Under sub-item (b), presentations were made by Dr. Taffere Tesfachew, Director of the Division for Africa, Least Developed Countries and Special Programmes, UNCTAD; Mr. Espen Volden, Group on Earth Observation (GEO) Secretariat; and Mr. Emanuele Gennai, ESRI Geneva.

The Commission then began its general discussion and heard statements by the representatives of Sri Lanka, Turkey and the Russian Federation.

Thursday, 24 May 2012

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

7th meeting

Presentation of reports on science, technology and innovation policy reviews . . . . [4]

The Commission began consideration of the item and heard an introductory statement by the Director, Division on Technology and Logistics, UNCTAD.

Implementation of the science, technology and innovation policy (STIP) review of Angola

A statement was made by H.E. Prof. João Sebastião Teta, Deputy Minister of Telecommunications of Angola.

Presentation of the science, technology and innovation policy (STIP) review of Peru

A presentation was made by the Officer-in-Charge, Policy Review Section, Science and Technology and ICT Branch, UNCTAD.

A statement was made by H.E. Mr. Miguel Palomino de la Gata, Director for Science and Technology, Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Peru.

Statements were made by the representatives of Mexico and Spain.

Presentation of the science, technology and innovation policy (STIP) review of El Salvador

A presentation was made by the Officer-in-Charge, Policy Review Section, Science and Technology and ICT Branch, UNCTAD.

A statement was made by H.E. Mr. Mario Roger Hernández, Vice-Minister of Economy of El Salvador.

Statements were made by the representatives of the United States and Brazil.

The representative of the Secretariat of UNCTAD made closing remarks.

The Commission concluded consideration of the item.

Organization of work

The Chair made a statement.

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

Food Assistance Convention
London, 25 April 2012

Opening for signature

The Food Assistance Convention was adopted on 25 April 2012 at London.

In accordance with its article 12, the "Convention shall be open for signature by Argentina, Australia, the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, Canada, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the European Union, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, Hungary, Ireland, the Italian Republic, Japan, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 11 June 2012 until 31 December 2012".

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be distributed as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Convention are posted on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/signature/2012/CTC_XIX-48.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if the States and the international organization to which the Convention is open for signature and wishing to sign could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* accessible on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States:
Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Than Swe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. Csaba Kőrösi

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guyana
H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Paul Seger

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Web sites

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management
<www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/>

Presidency of the General Assembly
<www.un.org/ga/president>

General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
<www.un.org/depts/dhl/>

International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

United Nations Press Releases
<www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp>

United Nations Webcast
<www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html>

Yearbook of the United Nations
<http://unyearbook.un.org>

UN Chronicle
<www.un.org/chronicle>

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Thursday, 24 May 2012

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations <http://documents.un.org> in the electronic version of the present Journal.

e-subscription <www.undocs.org>

Think Green! — Please consider the number of pages before printing.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-sixth session
A/66/521/Add.1	Item 136 — Improving the financial situation of the United Nations — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*
A/66/762/Add.1	Item 118 — The United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy — United Nations Global Counter-Terrorism Strategy: activities of the United Nations system in implementing the Strategy — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*
A/66/808–S/2012/330	Items 35, 39, 67 and 83 — Protracted conflicts in the GUAM area and their implications for international peace, security and development — The situation in the occupied territories of Azerbaijan — Elimination of racism, racial discrimination, xenophobia and related intolerance — The rule of law at the national and international levels — Letter dated 16 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
	Sixty-seventh session
A/67/86–E/2012/71	Item 27 of the preliminary list — Agriculture development and food security — Report on the main decisions and policy recommendations of the Committee on World Food Security — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

Security Council	**Documents**
S/2012/317	Identical letters dated 14 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *9 pages*
A/66/808–S/2012/330	Letter dated 16 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Azerbaijan to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
S/2012/350	Letter dated 18 May 2012 from the Chair of the Informal Working Group on International Tribunals addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*
S/2012/351	Letter dated 21 May 2012 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the President of the International Criminal Tribunal for Rwanda and the President of the International Residual Mechanism for Criminal Tribunals [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Substantive session of 2012

E/2012/61 Item 7 (d) of the provisional agenda — Coordination, programme and other questions: mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system — Mainstreaming a gender perspective into all policies and programmes in the United Nations system — Report of the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *19 pages*

A/67/86–E/2012/71 Item 6 of the provisional agenda — Implementation of and follow-up to major United Nations conferences and summits — Report on the main decisions and policy recommendations of the Committee on World Food Security — Note by the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Sylvie Deschênes (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-6776; room IN-0908, 300 East 42nd Street).

Office opens at 3 p.m.

Published at Headquarters, New York, by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.

No. 2012/102

Saturday, 26 May 2012

Journal

of the United Nations

Programme of meetings and agenda

Official meetings

[No meetings are scheduled at Headquarters on *Monday, 28 May 2012*, official holiday.]

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

Security Council

10 a.m.	6775th meeting	Security Council Chamber GA-TSC-01

1. Adoption of the agenda
2. The situation in the Middle East, including the Palestinian question

Morning[1]	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Middle East

Other matters

3 p.m.	Consultations of the whole (closed)	Consultations Room GA-TSC-02

Yemen

Other matters

[1]To be held following the adjournment of the 6775th meeting.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

10 a.m.	111th plenary meeting	General Assembly Hall

1. Interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union[1] [130]
   (a) Report of the Secretary-General (A/66/770)
   (b) Draft resolution (A/66/L.45)
2. Report of the International Criminal Court: draft resolution (A/66/L.47) [75]

[1]Delegations wishing to inscribe in the list of speakers are invited to contact the General Assembly Affairs Branch (e-mail heddachem@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-5063).

The *Journal* has now 4015 followers on Twitter. Join them and be the first to be notified once the next issue is available! www.twitter.com/Journal_UN_ONU

3951 users have already subscribed to the *Journal*. Take advantage of the new e-Subscription and receive the Journal early morning! undocs.org

2250 users like the *Journal* on Facebook. Look for our page! Journal of the United Nations

Scan QR Code (Quick Response Code) at the top right corner to download today's *Journal*.

12-34577

Think Green!

Please recycle

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Friday, 8 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, to elect the President of the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 4). Immediately following the plenary meeting, the Main Committees will hold their consecutive meetings for the purpose of electing their Chairs at the sixty-seventh session (agenda item 5) and their respective Bureaux. Immediately following the meetings of the Main Committees, the General Assembly will hold another plenary meeting to elect the Vice-Presidents at its sixty-seventh session (agenda item 6). The Chairs of regional groups who have not yet communicated their nominations are requested to do so, *as soon as possible*, in order to facilitate the scheduled elections in a timely manner. Communications may be sent by e-mail (muturi@un.org) or sent by fax (1 (212) 963-3783). Telephone inquiries may be addressed to the focal point, Ms. Mary Muturi (tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

General Assembly
Sixty-sixth session

The General Assembly will hold a plenary meeting on Monday, 11 June 2012, at 10 a.m. in the General Assembly Hall, for the consideration of agenda item 10 (Implementation of the Declaration of Commitment on HIV/AIDS and the Political Declarations on HIV/AIDS).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Round tables

All delegations (all States Members of the United Nations, the Holy See, in its capacity as observer State, Palestine, in its capacity as observer, and the European Union, in its capacity as observer) wishing to participate in the round tables, in accordance with General Assembly resolution 66/197 (A/RES/66/197), are kindly requested to contact the Secretariat, *in writing*, by e-mail (Mr. Dino Del-Vasto (del-vasto@un.org)) or by fax (1 (212) 963-5305), indicating the name and level of the participant and the preferred round table.

Inscription, maintained in accordance with the level of representation and on a first-come, first-served basis, is open. Statements in the round tables *should not exceed three minutes*. Any inquiry should be directed to Ms. Emer Herity (e-mail herity@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-5816).

The deadline for inscription by United Nations system entities and other accredited intergovernmental organizations to the round tables has expired. For inquiries in this regard, please contact Ms. Federica Pietracci (e-mail pietracci@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-8497).

United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development
20–22 June 2012, Rio de Janeiro (Brazil)

Accreditation of official delegations of Member States and observers

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are urged to submit accreditation requests to the Protocol and Liaison Service (room NL-2058; fax 1 (212) 963-1921), before the deadline of pre-accreditation in New York on *Wednesday, 30 May 2012*. Please refer to the note verbales available on the Protocol Web site <www.un.int/protocol> for the proper accreditation procedure and requirements.

On-site accreditation will begin on Thursday, 7 June 2012, at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 of the Riocentro Convention Center. As of Monday, 4 June, permanent missions and permanent observer missions may continue to submit accreditation requests or conference related documents to the Protocol Accreditation Unit at the Accreditation Centre in Pavilion 1 by fax (+55 21 2442-9000). Please note that this fax number will only be active as of Monday, 4 June. The Protocol Accreditation Unit will not be responsible for any lost documents faxed to this number before Monday, 4 June.

Delegates holding a valid United Nations grounds pass are advised to bring it along when travel to Brazil for the Conference. In the absence of a valid grounds pass, a diplomatic passport or a copy of the letter of accreditation or credential should be made handy upon arrival in Brazil.

Accreditation of national security personnel

Permanent missions and permanent observer missions are invited to submit applications for national security personnel to the attention of the Department of Safety and Security in New York. Pre-accreditation will be accepted for processing by the Special Services Unit (c/o Captain William Ball (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7531; room L-0113Q; fax 1 (212) 963-1833)). Applications were received until Friday, 25 May 2012. From Monday, 4 June 2012, onwards, all accreditation requests must be submitted to the United Nations Security and Safety Service at the Riocentro Convention Center (e-mail uncsdsecurity@un.org).

General Assembly
Sixty-seventh session

The sixty-seventh session will convene at United Nations Headquarters on Tuesday, 18 September 2012, at 3 p.m., and the general debate will open on Tuesday, 25 September. The high-level meeting on the rule of law at the national and international levels will be held on Monday, 24 September. The preliminary list of items to be included in the provisional agenda of the sixty-seventh regular session of the General Assembly is contained in document A/67/50. A draft programme of work of the plenary will be issued in July.

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

10–11 a.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 150 (Financing of the United Nations Peacekeeping Force in Cyprus (A/66/568, A/66/686 and A/66/718/Add.9))

11 a.m.–12 noon . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda items 151 and 152 (Financing of the United Nations Organization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo; and Financing of the United Nations Organization Stabilization Mission in the Democratic Republic of the Congo (A/66/652, A/66/723, A/66/718/Add.14, A/66/718/Add.14/Corr.1 and A/66/741))

12 noon–1 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Support account for peacekeeping operations (A/66/610, A/66/610/Add.1, A/66/721, A/66/737, A/66/779, A/66/755 and A/66/779/Add.1))

3–6 p.m. . . . . Informal consultations (closed) . . . . . Conference Room 5 (NLB)

Informal consultations on:

Agenda item 149 (Financing of the United Nations Operation in Côte d'Ivoire (A/66/616, A/66/753 and A/66/718/Add.18));

Agenda item 159 (Financing of the United Nations Mission in Liberia (A/66/602, A/66/691 and A/66/718/Add.13)); and

Agenda item 146 (Administrative and budgetary aspects of the financing of the United Nations peacekeeping operations: Cross cutting issues (A/66/679, A/C.5/66/8, A/C.5/66/15, A/66/591, A/66/591/Add.1, A/66/699, A/66/718, A/66/286 (Part II) and A/66/714))

General Assembly

Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development

Informal informal consultations on the draft outcome document

10–10.15 a.m. . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Opening remarks by the Co-Chair (Antigua and Barbuda)

3–3.15 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Address by the Secretary-General of the United Nations

Working Group 1

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

3.15–6 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

7–10 p.m. . . . . Conference Room 3 (NLB)

Working Group 2

10.15 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

3.15–6 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

7–10 p.m. . . . . Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB)

[The compilation text of the draft outcome document is available on the Rio+20 Web site <www.uncsd2012.org/rio20/>. Delegations are also reminded that a password-protected Rio+20 e-discussion forum has been created to enable an exchange on the draft outcome document of the Conference. Delegations wishing to subscribe to the e-discussion forum are requested to contact the UNCSD secretariat (e-mail uncsd2012@un.org).]

[The Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) will be servicing the session in a PaperSmart way. Delegations and participants attending the meeting are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets, to avail themselves of the PaperSmart Portal[1]. The Portal is available for delegations participating in the session of the Preparatory Committee, at the following address: <http://papersmart.un.org>. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).]

[1]The Portal is an initiative of the Integrated Sustainable PaperSmart Services (ISPS) Secretariat, Meetings and Publishing Division, DGACM. Application development and hosting for the Portal are provided by the Office of Information and Communications Technology, Department of Management, with branding and graphic design provided by the Graphic Design Unit, Outreach Division, Department of Public Information.

United Nations Open-ended Informal Consultative Process on Oceans and the Law of the Sea

Thirteenth meeting

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Opening of the thirteenth meeting . . . . . [1]

Adoption of the agenda (A/AC.259/L.13) . . . . . [2]

General exchange of views . . . . . [3]

3–6 p.m. . . . . Open meeting . . . . . Conference Room 2 (NLB)

Discussion panel

Segment 1

Marine renewable energies: Types, uses and role in sustainable development

(a) Panel presentations

(b) Discussion

[The list of side events scheduled to be held during the Meeting can be consulted at the following address: <www.un.org/depts/los/consultative_process/consultative_process.htm>.]

United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women (UN-Women)

Executive Board
Annual session of 2012

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 1st meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Organizational matters . . . . . [1]

Adoption of the agenda and workplan for the annual session 2012 (UNW/2012/L.3)

Adoption of the report of the first regular session 2012 (UNW/2012/3)

Progress made on the UN-Women strategic plan, 2011-2013 . . . . . [2]

Statement by the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director

Report of the Under-Secretary-General/Executive Director of UN-Women on progress made on the UN-Women strategic plan, 2011-2013

3–6 p.m. . . . . 2nd meeting . . . . . Conference Room 4 (NLB)

Progress made on the UN-Women strategic plan, 2011-2013 . . . . . [2]

Advisory Committee on Administrative and Budgetary Questions

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 10 (NLB)

Executive meeting

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations

2012 resumed session

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . 28th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . 29th meeting . . . . . Conference Room 1 (NLB)

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee (E/C.2/2012/CRP.5 and E/C.2/2012/CRP.7)[1] [3 (a)]

New applications for consultative status and new requests for reclassification (E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.19, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.20, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.21, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.22, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.23, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.24, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.25, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.26, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.27, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.28, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.29, E/C.2/2012/R.2/Add.30 and E/C.2/2012/R.3/Add.1)[2] . . . . . [3 (b)]

[Background information on the Committee, its procedures, forms and documentation is available at <www.un.org/esa/coordination/ngo>. Members of the Committee are strongly encouraged to use the online paperless committee system <http://csonet.org/ngocommittee>, where detailed information about upcoming applications can be found, as well as applications from previous sessions. Members may also wish to take advantage of the PaperSmart e-services offered by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM). Delegations and participants attending the session are encouraged to carry their mobile devices, including tablets. For further information, please contact the ISPS Secretariat (e-mail papersmart@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2025).]

[1] Conference room papers.

[2] Restricted documents of the Committee.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations on *Tuesday, 29 May 2012*, in Conference Room 6 (NLB), from 10 to 11.30 a.m., on evaluation of UNDP partnerships with global funds and philanthropic foundations and management responses; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m., on evaluation of UNDP contribution to strengthening electoral systems and processes and management response. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Informal meetings on draft proposals convened by permanent missions

The agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly is contained in documents A/66/251 and A/66/252.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

General Assembly

Informal consultations on the draft resolution entitled "International Year of Crystallography" (under agenda item 14) (convened by the Permanent Mission of Morocco)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Other meetings

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations. The meetings under this header are closed.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

International Criminal Court: Bureau of the Assembly of States Parties to the Rome Statute

8.45–9.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 6 (NLB)

Group of Landlocked Developing Countries (at the expert level)

9–9.30 a.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Asia-Pacific Group (monthly meeting)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room 7 (NLB)

Group of 77 (on the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development)

10 a.m.–1 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

3–6 p.m. . . . . Closed meeting . . . . . Conference Room A (NLB)

Other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

Special events on the occasion of the International Day of United Nations Peacekeepers (General Assembly resolution 57/129 (A/RES/57/129)) (organized by the Office of Military Affairs, Department of Peacekeeping Operations (DPKO))

Wreath-laying ceremony

From 9.15 to 9.30 a.m., in the Visitors' Lobby, General Assembly Building.

Dag Hammarskjöld medal ceremony

From 11 a.m. to 12 noon, in the Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium.

Medal parade

From 2 to 4.30 p.m., on the plaza between the General Assembly and the North Lawn Buildings.

[All are invited to attend these events. For further information, please contact Col. Carlos Borja, DPKO (e-mail borjac@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3849); or Col. Fernando Tomé, DPKO (e-mail tomef@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3951).]

Press conferences

The schedule below is tentative; up-to-date information can be obtained at <www.un.org/News/ossg/cc.shtml>.

Tuesday, 29 May 2012

Dag Hammarskjöld Library Auditorium

12 noon . . . . . Press briefing by the Spokesperson [*Guests*: Mr. Hervé Ladsous, Under-Secretary-General for Peacekeeping Operations; and Mr. Tony Banbury, Assistant Secretary-General, Department of Field Support]

1.30 p.m. . . . . Mr. Andres Johnsson, Secretary-General of the Inter-Parliamentary Union (on the interaction between the United Nations, national parliaments and the Inter-Parliamentary Union)

Announcement for Member States on issuance of communications

Delegations requesting issuance of communications as documents of the General Assembly should ensure that they are addressed to the Secretary-General and signed by the Permanent Representative or Chargé d'affaires of the Permanent Mission to the United Nations. The communications should indicate the session of the General Assembly, and the number and title of the agenda item under which circulation is requested, using the agenda of the sixty-sixth session of the General Assembly contained in document A/66/251. Electronic versions in Microsoft Word should be sent to gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org, so as to facilitate the processing of communications. If versions in any other United Nations official languages are available, they should be included with a clear indication of the original language and/or which language versions are to be used for reference only.

Further information may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-2332 or 1 (917) 367-5895; or by e-mailing at gaab@un.org or dpu-dgacm@un.org.

Forthcoming official meetings

General Assembly

Sixty-sixth session

Main Committees

Fifth Committee

Second part of the resumed session

The Fifth Committee will hold its 37th meeting on Wednesday, 30 May 2012, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB). Informal consultations (closed) will be held following the adjournment of the 37th meeting, and at 3 p.m. in Conference Room 5 (NLB).

General Assembly

Committee on Contributions

Seventy-second session

The Committee on Contributions will hold its seventy-second session at Headquarters from Monday, 4, to Friday, 29 June 2012.

The attention of any Member States intending to request an exemption under Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations is drawn to the provisions of General Assembly resolution 54/237 C (A/RES/54/237 A-C), in which the Assembly, inter alia, urges such Member States to provide the fullest possible supporting information.

The Assembly also decided that requests for exemption under Article 19 must be submitted by Member States at least two weeks before the session of the Committee on Contributions, so as to ensure a full review of the requests. Accordingly, any such requests should have been received by the President of the General Assembly by Friday, 18 May 2012. For further information, kindly contact the Secretary of the Committee (tel. 1 (212) 963-5306; room FF-610 (304 East 45th Street); fax 1 (212) 963-1943).

The Committee on Contributions will also be considering multi-year payment plans submitted pursuant to General Assembly resolution 57/4 B (A/RES/57/4 B), as reaffirmed in resolution 64/248 (A/RES/64/248). Any Member States intending to submit such a plan are also invited to contact the Secretary of the Committee for further information.

United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea

Meeting of States Parties
Twenty-second Meeting

The Twenty-second Meeting of States Parties to the 1982 United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea will be held at Headquarters, from Monday, 4, to Monday, 11 June 2012. The Meeting will be convened on Monday, 4 June, at 10 a.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB). The provisional agenda of the Meeting is contained in document SPLOS/L.69.

In connection with item 9 of the provisional agenda (Election of 21 members of the Commission on the Limits of the Continental Shelf), States parties are reminded that the election will take place during the Meeting. With regard to the composition of delegations, States parties that have not yet done so are requested to submit their credentials, *no later than Thursday, 31 May 2012*, to the Division for Ocean Affairs and the Law of the Sea, Office of Legal Affairs (room DC2-450). Credentials should be submitted in due form as required by rule 13 of the rules of procedure for the Meeting of States Parties (SPLOS/2/Rev.4).

Furthermore, in relation with item 10 of the provisional agenda (Commemoration of the thirtieth anniversary of the United Nations Convention on the Law of the Sea), delegations wishing to inscribe their names on the list of speakers are invited to contact the Division and provide a copy of their statement (e-mail ahreum.lee@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-2872) (copies for distribution at the meeting are to be provided by the delegation).

Economic and Social Council

Joint meeting

The Economic and Social Council and the Peacebuilding Commission will hold a joint meeting on "Partnerships for job creation for young people in countries emerging from conflict" on Monday, 4 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. in the Economic and Social Council Chamber (NLB).

The meeting will be chaired by the President of the Council, H.E. Mr. Miloš Koterec (Slovakia), and the Chair of the Peacebuilding Commission, H.E. Dr. A.K. Abdul Momen (Bangladesh).

All are invited to attend. For more information, please contact Ms. Midori Kanda (e-mail kandam@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3268) or Mr. Paolo Fontana (e-mail fontana@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-4222).

United Nations Children's Fund

Executive Board
Annual session

The 2012 annual session of the UNICEF Executive Board will take place from Tuesday, 5, to Friday, 8 June 2012, in Conference Room 2 (NLB). The provisional annotated agenda, timetable and organization of work are contained in document E/ICEF/2012/9.

Advance copies of all documentation for the session are available on the following site: <www.unicef.org/about/execboard/index_61796.html>. Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the Office of the Secretary of the Executive Board of UNICEF (e-mail jpiccolominigeary@unicef.org; or fax 1 (212) 326-7096), *no later than Friday, 1 June 2012*. In accordance with rule 50 (2) of the rules of procedures and its annex, observer delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene.

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Informal consultations

The Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will hold informal consultations, as indicated below. Interested delegations are invited to attend.

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 10 a.m. to 12 noon, in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNICEF informal consultation on cost recovery;

Thursday, 31 May 2012, from 3 to 4.30 p.m., in the LRC-Conference Room, 11th Floor, FF-Building (304 East 45th Street): Joint UNDP/UNFPA/UNOPS informal consultation on disclosure; and

Monday, 4 June 2012, in Conference Room 3 (NLB), from 10.30 to 11.30 a.m.: Matters to be taken at its 2012 annual session; and from 11.30 a.m. to 1 p.m.: Draft decisions to be considered at the annual session.

Forthcoming other activities

The information below is reproduced as received and does not imply any opinion or endorsement by the Secretariat of the United Nations.

Panel discussion on "Rights of indigenous women: Experiences and good practices for promoting participation and leadership" (co-organized by the Permanent Missions of Mexico and Norway, UN-Women, the International Indigenous Women's Forum and the Alliance of Indigenous Women of Central America and Mexico)

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 1.15 to 2.30 p.m. in Conference Room 4 (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Ms. Eva Romulus, Permanent Mission of Mexico (e-mail romulus.ec@gmail.com; tel. 1 (212) 752-0220).]

Arria Formula meeting of the Security Council on "The peaceful settlement of disputes, conflict prevention and resolution: Mediation, judicial settlement and justice" (organized by the Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan)

Wednesday, 30 May 2012, from 3 to 5 p.m. in Conference Room 1 (NLB).

[Members of the permanent missions and permanent observer missions, as well as representatives of international organizations and non-governmental organizations, are invited to attend. For further information, please contact Mr. Elchin Huseynli, Permanent Mission of Azerbaijan (e-mail elchin.n.h@gmail.com; tel. 1 (646) 738-6261).]

UNITAR Rio Preparation Forum on "Discourse on sustainable development" (organized in cooperation with the Organization of Islamic Cooperation (OIC))

Monday, 4 June 2012, from 3 to 6 p.m in Conference Room C (NLB).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-9684); or Ms. Sooim Chang, UNITAR (e-mail sooim.chang@unitar.org; tel 1 (212) 963-3021).]

UNITAR/OHCHR Human Rights Orientation Programme for Diplomats

Tuesday, 5, and Wednesday, 6 June 2012, from 10 a.m. to 1 p.m. and from 3 to 6 p.m., at the Permanent Mission of South Africa (333 East 38th Street, 9th Floor).

[All are invited to attend. For registration, please visit <www.unitar.org/event/new-york>. For further information, please contact Ms. Hélène Gandois, UNITAR (e-mail gandoish@un.org; tel. 1 (212)963-9684); or Ms. Raquel Villodres, UNITAR (e-mail raquel.villodres@unitar.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-9196).]

Forthcoming official meetings held away from Headquarters

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services
Annual session 2012
United Nations Office at Geneva

The 2012 annual session of the Executive Board of UNDP, UNFPA and UNOPS will take place from Monday, 25, to Friday, 29 June 2012, at the United Nations Office at Geneva. The provisional annotated agenda, list of documents and work plan for the session will be issued in document DP/2012/L.2.

Member States, as well as observers and representatives of other organizations attending the session, are requested to submit their credentials to the secretariat of the Board (e-mail marcela.romero@undp.org); fax 1 (212) 906-5634. Delegations are also requested to communicate, with their credentials, their special interest in the items of the provisional agenda on which they intend to intervene, *no later than Friday, 15 June 2012.*

Announcements

Training for delegates and staff of permanent missions

The Dag Hammarskjöld Library will conduct the following training for delegates and staff of permanent missions in Room DC2-1142, in English (French and Spanish), on the dates indicated below. All interested are kindly requested to register by e-mail (librarytraining@un.org) or by telephone (1 (212) 963-5321).

Overview of the Legal Library (from 4 to 5 p.m.)

Monday, 4 June 2012.

Social Networking 101: A user guide to the United Nations Library's social media tools (10 to 11.30 a.m.)

Tuesday, 5 June 2012.

Introduction to United Nations documents (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 6 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 21 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 19 June 2012 *(Spanish)*.

Advanced researching using non-UN Databases (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Thursday, 7 June 2012.

Official Document System (ODS) (from 10 a.m. to 12.30 p.m.)

Friday, 8 June 2012 *(French)*; and

Tuesday, 12 June 2012 *(English)*

United Nations Bibliographic Information System (UNBISnet) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 13 June 2012.

United Nations Info Quest (UN-I-QUE) (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 20 June 2012.

Introduction to E-Books (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012.

Introduction to the Map Collection (from 3 to 4.30 p.m.)

Tuesday, 26 June 2012; and

Thursday, 28 June 2012.

Economic and Social Council documentation (from 10 a.m. to 12 noon)

Wednesday, 27 June 2012 *(English)*;

Thursday, 28 June 2012 *(Spanish)*; and

Friday, 29 June 2012 *(French)*.

Reports of the Secretary-General on disarmament items to be submitted to the sixty-seventh session of the General Assembly *(reminder)*

The Office for Disarmament Affairs would be grateful if Member States could communicate to the Office, in hard copy and electronic version (Word format), the relevant data and information, pursuant to the General Assembly resolutions indicated below, so as to facilitate issuance of the reports in time for consideration by the General Assembly at its sixty-seventh session. Provision of the submission in Microsoft Word format *is required*. Kindly send the electronic version to Ms. Jenny Fuchs (fuchs@un.org).

To be received by Thursday, 31 May 2012:

Resolution 66/24, para. 3, entitled "Developments in the field of information and telecommunications in the context of international security" (A/RES/66/24), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/21-2012/IT dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/25, paras. 10 and 11, entitled "Establishment of a nuclear-weapon-free zone in the region of the Middle East" (A/RES/66/25), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/03-2012/NWFZME dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/46, para. 3, entitled "Follow-up to the advisory opinion of the International Court of Justice on the *Legality of the Threat or Use of Nuclear Weapons*" (A/RES/66/46), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/02-2012/ICJ dated 10 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/31, para. 4, entitled "Observance of environmental norms in the drafting and implementation of agreements on disarmament and arms control" (A/RES/66/31), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/23-2012/EN dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/32, para. 8, entitled "Promotion of multilateralism in the area of disarmament and non-proliferation" (A/RES/66/32), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/22-2012/ML dated 16 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/38, para. 8, entitled "Confidence-building measures in the regional and subregional context" (A/RES/66/38), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/07/2012 dated 15 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/50, para. 5, entitled "Measures to prevent terrorists from acquiring weapons of mass destruction" (A/RES/66/50), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/04-2012/WMDT dated 13 February 2012 refers);

Resolution 66/63, para. 8, entitled "Strengthening of security and cooperation in the Mediterranean region" (A/RES/66/63), adopted on 2 December 2011 (Note verbale ODA/08-2012/SSCMR dated 14 February 2012 refers); and

Resolution 65/77, paras. 2 and 3, entitled "United Nations study on disarmament and non-proliferation education" (A/RES/65/77), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/27-2012/DNP dated 27 February 2012 refers).

To be received by Friday, 1 June 2012:

Resolution 65/55, paras. 2, 3 and 7, entitled "Effects of the use of armaments and ammunitions containing depleted uranium" (A/RES/65/55), adopted on 8 December 2010 (Note verbale ODA/19-2012/ADU dated 7 March 2012 refers).

2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, Bangkok, Thailand

Applications for the 2012 United Nations Regional Course in International Law, scheduled to be held at the Ministry of Foreign Affairs of the Government of Thailand in Bangkok, Thailand, from Monday, 12, to Friday, 30 November 2012, are now being accepted from candidates from Member States of the United Nations that are also members of the regional group of Asia-Pacific States (and from Kiribati). The deadline for applications is *Friday, 29 June 2012*.

The Regional Course will be conducted in English. For further information, including applications forms, please consult the Regional Course Web site <www.un.org/law/rcil/asia>; or contact the Codification Division (e-mail rcil-asia@un.org).

Credentials for forthcoming elections of members of human rights treaty bodies

The Office of the United Nations High Commissioner for Human Rights wishes to remind all States parties to the international human rights treaties that the rules of procedure of all meetings of States parties convened to elect members of human rights treaty bodies require delegations to submit credentials to the Secretary-General *prior to a meeting*. Many delegations fail to provide such credentials in advance of a meeting and the Secretariat continues to receive numerous obsolete credentials many months after the meetings have concluded. In order to assist delegations with ensuring the timely submission of credentials, advance notice is given of the following meetings of States parties in 2012:

Seventeenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women (26 June 2012) <www2.ohchr.org/english/bodies/cedaw/elections2012.htm>;

Thirty-second Meeting of States Parties to the International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights (6 September 2012);

Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities (12–14 September 2012); and

Fourteenth Meeting of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of the Child (18 December 2012).

All States parties are kindly requested to put in place the necessary arrangements to ensure that credentials for each of these meetings are submitted *no later than one week before* the meeting, in order to ensure the smooth running of the elections. Delegations are reminded that the credentials of representatives and the names of members of the delegation must be issued by the Head of State or Government or by the Minister for Foreign Affairs. Credentials for the Conference of States Parties to the Convention on the Rights of Persons with Disabilities should be sent to the secretariat of the Conference in the Department of Economic and Social Affairs. Credentials for all other meetings should be sent to OHCHR in New York. For any clarifications, please contact Mr. James Turpin, OHCHR (e-mail turpin@un.org; tel. 1 (917) 367-3292; room DC1-504).

Kindly take note that all elections for the Committee on Economic Social and Cultural Rights, are organized by the secretariat of the Economic and Social Council, not by OHCHR. All queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Celia Syyap, Economic and Social Affairs Branch, Department for General Assembly and Conference Management (DGACM) (e-mail syyap@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-0906).

Please note also that OHCHR is not responsible for the Human Rights Council elections. Queries related to these elections should be addressed to Ms. Mary Muturi, General Assembly Affairs Branch, DGACM (e-mail muturi@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-2337).

Summary of official meetings

Friday, 25 May 2012

General Assembly

South-South cooperation for development

High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation
Seventeenth session

5th meeting

Report of the Working Group

The Chair-cum-Rapporteur of the Working Group reported that a suspension of the seventeenth session was recommended to enable delegations to consult on the draft proposals before the Working Group. The Committee agreed to suspend the session.

The President made a statement and declared the seventeenth session suspended until a date to be determined before 15 August 2012.

Economic and Social Council

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations
2012 resumed session

26th meeting

Review of quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council . . . . . [4 (b)]

A statement was made by the representative of the Russian Federation.

Deferred quadrennial reports submitted by non-governmental organizations in consultative status with the Council . . . . . [4 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of Turkey, Senegal, Cuba, China, Nicaragua, the Sudan, the United States, Israel, the Russian Federation, Morocco, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela and Pakistan.

The Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch, Department of Economic and Social Affairs (DESA), provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

Other related matters . . . . . [6 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of India, Morocco, the United States, China, Cuba, Israel and the Sudan.

The Chief of the Non-Governmental Organizations Branch provided clarifications to the members of the Committee.

27th meeting

Other related matters [6 (c)]

Statements were made by the representatives of India and China.

Consideration of special reports [7]

The representative of Pakistan proposed to withdraw the consultative status of Interfaith International. The Committee adopted this proposal by consensus.

Statements were made by the representatives of Pakistan, the United States and Belgium.

Applications for consultative status and requests for reclassification deferred from previous sessions of the Committee [3 (a)]

Statements were made by the representatives of China, Pakistan, Morocco, Cuba, the Bolivarian Republic of Venezuela, Nicaragua, Israel, the United States, Belgium, the Sudan and Turkey, as well as by the observers for Austria and the Holy See.

Points of order were raised by the representatives of Morocco and the Sudan.

The Chair made a statement.

The Secretary of the Committee also made a statement.

The Committee decided to recommend that special consultative status be granted to four non-governmental organizations.

Summary of official meetings held away from Headquarters

Friday, 25 May 2012

General Assembly

International Law Commission
Sixty-fourth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

3133rd meeting

Organization of work

The Commission adopted the programme of work for the fourth week of the session.

Economic and Social Council

Commission on Science and Technology for Development
Fifteenth session
United Nations Office at Geneva

The summary of the last meetings of the Commission on Science and Technology for Development will appear in the next issue of the *Journal* (No. 2012/103).

Signatures, Ratifications, etc.

[Multilateral Treaties Deposited with the Secretary-General]

International Covenant on Civil and Political Rights. New York, 16 December 1966

Notifications under article 4 (3): Peru (24 May 2012)[1]

United Nations Convention on Contracts for the International Sale of Goods. Vienna, 11 April 1980

Declaration under article 94: Sweden (25 May 2012)[1]

Withdrawal of declaration under article 92 made upon ratification: Sweden (25 May 2012)[1]

United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Burundi (24 May 2012)[1]

Protocol to Prevent, Suppress and Punish Trafficking in Persons, Especially Women and Children, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Burundi (24 May 2012)[1]

Protocol against the Smuggling of Migrants by Land, Sea and Air, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 15 November 2000

Ratification: Burundi (24 May 2012)[1]

Protocol against the Illicit Manufacturing of and Trafficking in Firearms, Their Parts and Components and Ammunition, supplementing the United Nations Convention against Transnational Organized Crime. New York, 31 May 2001

Accession: Burundi (24 May 2012)[1]

[1]Date of receipt of the relevant documents.

Food Assistance Convention
London, 25 April 2012

Opening for signature

The Food Assistance Convention was adopted on 25 April 2012 at London.

In accordance with its article 12, the "Convention shall be open for signature by Argentina, Australia, the Republic of Austria, the Kingdom of Belgium, the Republic of Bulgaria, Canada, the Republic of Croatia, the Republic of Cyprus, the Czech Republic, the Kingdom of Denmark, the European Union, the Republic of Estonia, the Republic of Finland, the French Republic, the Federal Republic of Germany, the Hellenic Republic, Hungary, Ireland, the Italian Republic, Japan, the Republic of Latvia, the Republic of Lithuania, the Grand Duchy of Luxembourg, the Republic of Malta, the

Kingdom of the Netherlands, the Kingdom of Norway, the Republic of Poland, the Portuguese Republic, Romania, the Slovak Republic, the Republic of Slovenia, the Kingdom of Spain, the Kingdom of Sweden, the Swiss Confederation, the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland and the United States of America, at United Nations Headquarters in New York, from 11 June 2012 until 31 December 2012".

Certified true copies of the Convention, of which the English and French texts are equally authentic, are being printed and will be distributed as soon as possible. Electronic copies of the Convention are posted on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/signature/2012/CTC_XIX-48.pdf>.

The Secretary-General takes this opportunity to recall that, under established international practice, only Heads of State, Heads of Government or Ministers for Foreign Affairs are empowered, by virtue of their functions, to sign treaties on behalf of States without having to produce full powers to that effect. Other representatives wishing to sign the Convention must be in possession of appropriate full powers emanating from one of these authorities.

The Secretary-General would be obliged if the States and the international organization to which the Convention is open for signature and wishing to sign could, as necessary, provide the required full powers in advance to the Treaty Section, Office of Legal Affairs, at United Nations Headquarters (fax 1 (212) 963-3693).

For more information on full powers, please refer to the *Treaty Handbook* accessible on the Web site of the United Nations Treaty Collection at the following address: <http://treaties.un.org/doc/source/publications/THB/English.pdf>.

General information

Chairs of the regional groups

The following information regarding the chairmanship of the regional groups for the month of *May 2012* has been communicated to the Secretariat:

African States:
Angola
H.E. Mr. Ismael Abraão Gaspar Martins

Asia-Pacific States:
Myanmar
H.E. Mr. Than Swe

Eastern European States:
Hungary
H.E. Mr. Csaba Körösi

Latin American and Caribbean States:
Guyana
H.E. Mr. George Wilfred Talbot

Western European and other States:
Switzerland
H.E. Mr. Paul Seger

Security Council

Communications to the President of the Security Council

Communications addressed to the President of the Security Council should be delivered to the Offices of the Security Council Secretariat Branch (room 08083, 730 Third Avenue (between 45th and 46th Streets); tel. 1 (212) 963-5258).

Web site of the presidency

The Web site of the presidency of the Security Council can be visited at <www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>.

Recorded information

Recorded information about previously unscheduled meetings and consultations of the whole of the Security Council may be obtained by calling 1 (212) 963-8530, or by clicking on "Daily Programme" on the Web site of the Security Council <www.un.org/Docs/sc>.

Prepared statements

Speakers in the Security Council are advised that providing in advance copies of prepared statements which they intend to read out in the Council greatly facilitates the work of the Secretariat by permitting a sufficient number of copies to be distributed to all meeting participants and by assisting interpreters, verbatim reporters and press officers in maintaining the quality of the product delivered. Both interpretations and verbatim records rely upon the statement actually delivered, but copies of texts help interpreters to correctly render details and nuances and help verbatim reporters to produce the written record more quickly. Speakers are therefore encouraged, whenever possible, to provide copies of their statements, as early as possible in advance of delivery, to the Conference Officer in the Chamber.

Delegations are kindly requested to make 40 copies for minimum distribution to Council members and relevant services, and 200 additional copies for general distribution in the Security Council Chamber.

Delegations wishing to make statements available for the media are kindly requested to deliver 50 copies to the Media Documents Centre (e-mail mdc@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-7166; room SA-1B12).

Access to back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*

Back issues of the *Journal of the United Nations*, in English and French, can be accessed at the following addresses: <www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp> and <www.un.org/fr/documents/journal.asp>.

All comments and suggestions about the *Journal* are welcomed. Kindly contact the office of the *Journal* at journal@un.org.

Web sites

Department for General Assembly and Conference Management
<www.un.org/Depts/DGACM/>

Presidency of the General Assembly
<www.un.org/ga/president>

General Assembly
<www.un.org/en/ga>

Department of Political Affairs
<www.un.org/depts/dpa>

Presidency of the Security Council
<www.un.org/sc/presidency.asp>

Security Council
<www.un.org/Docs/sc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1373 (2001) concerning counter-terrorism
<www.un.org/en/sc/ctc/>

Security Council Committee established pursuant to resolution 1540 (2004)
<www.un.org/sc/1540/>

Department of Economic and Social Affairs
<www.un.org/en/development/desa/index.html>

Economic and Social Council
<www.un.org/en/ecosoc/>

Office for Disarmament Affairs
<www.un.org/disarmament/>

United Nations Treaty Collection
<http://treaties.un.org/>

United Nations Audiovisual Library of International Law
<www.un.org/law/avl/>

Dag Hammarskjöld Library
<www.un.org/depts/dhl/>

International Court of Justice
<www.icj-cij.org/>

Journal of the United Nations
<www.un.org/en/documents/journal.asp>

United Nations Press Releases
<www.un.org/en/unpress/index.asp>

United Nations Webcast
<www.unmultimedia.org/tv/webcast/index.html>

Yearbook of the United Nations
<http://unyearbook.un.org>

UN Chronicle
<www.un.org/chronicle>

Documents issued at United Nations Headquarters on Friday, 25 May 2012

With the exception of sales publications and public information material, hyperlinked official documents listed hereunder may be accessed through the Official Document System of the United Nations <http://documents.un.org> in the electronic version of the present Journal.

e-subscription <www.undocs.org>

Think Green! — Please consider the number of pages before printing.

Symbol	*Main title*
General Assembly	**Documents**
	Sixty-sixth session
A/66/812–S/2012/343	Item 68 — Right of peoples to self-determination — Identical letters dated 16 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
A/RES/66/260	Item 12 — Resolution adopted by the General Assembly — Improving global road safety [A C E F R S] — *6 pages*
	Preparatory Committee for the United Nations Conference on Sustainable Development Third session
A/CONF.216/PC/10	Item 2 of the provisional agenda — Adoption of the agenda and other organizational matters — Annotated provisional agenda [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*
South-South cooperation for development	
	High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation Seventeenth session
SSC/17/L.4	Draft report (part I) [A C E F R S] — *16 pages*
SSC/17/L.5	Algeria: draft resolution — South-South cooperation [A C E F R S] — *4 pages*

SSC/17/L.6 — Draft decision — Algeria: draft decision — Provisional agenda for the eighteenth session of the High-level Committee on South-South Cooperation [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Entity for Gender Equality and the Empowerment of Women

Annual session of 2012

UNW/2012/8** — Second reissue for technical reasons [A C E F R S] — *22 pages*

Security Council — **Documents**

S/2012/319 — Identical letters dated 14 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of the Syrian Arab Republic addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *10 pages*

A/66/812–S/2012/343 — Identical letters dated 16 May 2012 from the Permanent Representative of Saudi Arabia to the United Nations addressed to the Secretary-General and the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *2 pages*

S/2012/344 — Letter dated 18 May 2012 from the President of the Security Council addressed to the Secretary-General [A C E F R S] — *5 pages*

S/2012/352 — Letter dated 22 May 2012 from the Chargé d'affaires a.i. of the Permanent Mission of South Sudan to the United Nations addressed to the President of the Security Council [A C E F R S] — *1 page*

Economic and Social Council

Documents

Committee on Non-Governmental Organizations 2012 regular and resumed sessions

E/C.2/2012/INF/1 — List of delegations [E (only)] — *6 pages*

Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women

Documents

Committee on the Elimination of Discrimination against Women

CEDAW/C/GRB/7 — Consideration of reports submitted by States parties under article 18 of the Convention on the Elimination of All Forms of Discrimination against Women — Seventh periodic reports of States parties — United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland [A C E F R S] — *71 pages*

Executive Board of the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Population Fund and the United Nations Office for Project Services

Annual session 2012

DP/FPA/2012/11/Add.1 Item 10 of the provisional agenda — United Nations Population Fund — Country programmes and related matters — Extensions of country programmes in the Africa region — Note by the Executive Director [E F S (only)] — *3 pages*

Communications to the Editor

Material for inclusion in the *Journal* should be addressed to the attention of Ms. Sylvie Deschênes (e-mail journal@un.org; tel. 1 (212) 963-3888 and 963-6776; room IN-0908, 300 East 42nd Street).

Office opens at 3 p.m.

Published at Headquarters, New York, by the Department for General Assembly and Conference Management.